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Title: METHOD FOR OPTIMIZING PRINTING OF A PHASE SHIFT MASK HAVING A PHASE SHIFT

ERROR

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A copy of the Request for Reconsideration of Petition Under 37 CFR 1.47(a) from parent application. $\underline{\mathbf{X}}$

A copy of the Decison Granting Status Under 37 CFR 1.47(a) from parent application. <u>X</u>

<u>X</u> A copy of the Declaration from parent application, as signed by inventor Christophe Pierrat.

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COMMUNICATION RE: MISSING PARTS

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In response to the "Notice to File Missing Parts" (see enclosed copy), we submit a copy of the Declaration as signed by inventor Christophe Pierrat, the Request for Consideration of Petition Under 37 CFR 1.47(a) as filed in the parent case on October 1, 1998, and a copy of the Decision Granting Status Under 37 CFR 1.47(a) as mailed April 26, 2000. At the time of filing of the present invention, decision on petition had not yet been received in the parent case.

Also enclosed is a check in the amount of \$130.00 to cover the large entity surcharge and a check in the amount of \$690.00 to cover the large entity basic filing fee.

Applicants assume the application is now in proper order and in condition for examination. Please direct any inquiries to the undersigned attorney at (612) 373-6904.

Respectfully submitted,

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NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- · The statutory basic filing fee is missing. Applicant must submit \$ 690 to complete the basic filing fee and/or file a small entity statement claiming such status (37 CFR 1.27).
- · The oath or declaration is unsigned.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.

The balance due by applicant is \$ 820.

A copy of this notice MUST be returned with the reply.

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